

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Louisiana; Approval of Section 110(a) (1) Maintenance Plan for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard for the Parish of Pointe Coupee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve a revision to the Louisiana State Implementation Plan (SIP) concerning a maintenance plan addressing the 1997 8-hour ozone standard for the parish of Pointe Coupee. On February 28, 2007, the State of Louisiana submitted a SIP revision containing a maintenance plan for the 1997 ozone standard for Pointe Coupee Parish. This plan ensures the continued attainment of the 1997 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) through the year 2014. On March 12, 2008, EPA issued a revised ozone standard. Today's action, however, is being taken to address requirements under the 1997 ozone standard. Requirements for this area under the 2008 standard will be addressed in future actions. This maintenance plan meets statutory and regulatory requirements, and is consistent with EPA's guidance.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before [Insert date 30 days from date of publication in the Federal Register].

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Mr. Guy Donaldson, Chief, Air Planning Section (6PD-L), Environmental Protection Agency, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733. Comments may also be submitted electronically or through hand delivery/courier by following the detailed instructions in the Addresses section of the direct final rule located in the rules section of this **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Ellen Belk or Ms. Sandra Rennie, Air Planning Section (6PD-L), Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733, telephone (214) 665-2164 or (214) 665-7367; fax number 214-665-7263; e-mail address belk.ellen@epa.gov or rennie.sandra@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the final rules section of this Federal Register,
EPA is approving the State's SIP submittal without prior proposal because the Agency views this
as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for
the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response
to this action, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct
final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent
final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any
parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time. Please note that if EPA
receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that

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provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those

provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

For additional information, see the direct final rule which is located in the rules section of

this Federal Register.

Dated: April 24, 2013.

Ron Curry,

Regional Administrator, Region 6.

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